

of 9/14/22 because 4 relatives were with him from Columbia, Pa. Henry C. was fishing 20 ft. from him. Remembers Applegate caught big fish. Doesn't remember its being weighed. Henry C. left beach 10:30 P.M. Mell left at 11 P.M. His home near Henry C. Saw light in Henry C's bedroom window as he passed. Did not hear any car leave Henry C's garage bet 11 P.M. and midnight because he was up until midnight. Path from S's garage to street leads past Mell's window. Mell corroborates Henry C's stmt that he was up at 5 A.M. 9/15/22 fishing on beach. (Times 9/3/26) 6:2

Mrs. Anna Evanson, Mell's cook, says she was up at daybreak abt 5 A.M. 9/15/22 and saw Henry S. out on beach. They both cast nets for mullets. (Times 9/3/26) - 6:2

For excerpts from stmt of Henry C. taken by Underwood, see Times 9/4/26 - 1:1

Wm. McGonigle, Phila. (Summers at Lavalette) made affidavit that he remembered fishing with Henry C. either Thursday or Friday of week 9/10/22. Couldn't fix exact date. Does not recall weighing of large blue fish caught by Applegate. (Times 9/5/26) - 6:4

Indicted 9/15/26 by April Grand Jury.

Mrs. Marie Demarest, Highland Park, N.B. (Tall woman, 45 yrs. old, lives on same block with Rice, Jr.) Surprise witness produced by Simpson before Grand Jury. Believed to have testified to seeing Henry S. in N.B. on morning 9/15/22. (Times 9/16/26) 1:8 & 2:4

Simpson says that the state has a witness who will testify to presence of Henry S. at murder scene and that he would not have asked Grand Jury to indict Henry S. unless such witness had testified before Grand Jury. Also states Henry S. made voluntary stmt, not under oath, differing as to events carrying on beach on night of 9/14/22 from stmts made by other witnesses. (Tms 9/17/26)

Arraigned today; pleaded "not guilty". 9/17/26.

Albert Schuffler said to have washed Henry S's car after 9/14/22; Ralph Helmuth interrogated for information regarding Albert Schuffler's whereabouts. (Times 9/24/26) - 48:6

Charles Garibaldi, owner of Meat Mkt in Lavalette, interrogated in belief that call for Henry S. from N.B. was rec'd at his place of business on 9/14/22. (Times 9/24/26) - 48:6

State will contend that Henry S. fired 4 shots that caused death and that throat of Mrs. M. was cut after her death by Willie S., other principal; contend Mrs. H. eye-witness with them. (Times 9/19/26) 1:8.

State investigators believe 4 accused gathered at Hall home for conference night of murder. (Times 9/19/26) 1:8

State's contention is that Henry S. fired the shots and that Willie S. cut Mrs. M. after she had died from the three bullets that entered her body. Also Rector had promised to abandon the infatuation when required to do so at the Stevens family conference. (this is contrary to the report of his previous refusal so to do). That Willie S. took the pistol to the scene, which fact was not known at the time to those who accompanied him or went there afterwards, and the state will seek to show that the letters, found neatly piled between the bodies later, had been shown to Rector and that this had provoked a quarrel. Theory is Rector finally defied those who confronted him and agreed to a divorce. This defiance, it was said by an investigator, brought the quarrel to a climax. The State's theory is that Willie S. produced a .32 calibre automatic pistol and that Henry S. seized it from him and fired it, first at Rector and then at Mrs. M., the shots fired at

Henry S.

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Rector sometime between 10:18 P.M. and 10:22 and a brief pause came before the shots at Mrs. M. It is added that Willie S., incensed at being frustrated when he produced the pistol, running to the parked automobile he got a pair of gardener's shears or clippers. (Times 9/20/26) - 2:3

Garageman Albert Shussler of Lavalette NJ supposed to have washed red mud as found in De Russey's lane from Henry S. car. (Times 9/21/26)

Mrs. Marie Garibaldi, wife of Chas. G., East & Grand Central Ave., Lavalette, when questioned by Lt. Cieciuch regarding phone call and events of night of 9/14/26 was unable to recall anything. She made one stmt that she had seen Henry S. drive a gear-shift car on several occasions, tho he claims he only drove a Ford. (Times 9/28/26) 9:2-3

Henry S. in affidavit says App only joined him later. (Sun 9/3/26) 11-8

Prosecutor stated that Mrs. Hoag made stmt which he has that she was walking with Henry S. several days after the crime. They visited the scene of crime. She quotes S. as saying "This is a beautiful spot; isn't it a frightful tragedy." Then she said he collapsed. (Sun 9/3/26) 2:7

Chief Hayes claims App denied admitting he did not know on what date he saw Henry S. fishing. (Her Trib 9/4/26) 1:3

Claims he does not know Mrs. Hoag. (M.W. 9/4/26) 2:1

Mrs. Hoag denies that she had ever seen Henry S. and said that she did not make stmt which prosecutor said he had in his possession. (M.W. 9/4/26) 2:1

Albert Schussler, former owner of garage where H.S. says his car was kept on night of crime and following night is reported to have said that speedometer registered 122 add'l miles on morning after crime. Ralph and Cornelius Helmuth, sons of postmistress Lavalette, who worked in Schussler's garage, formerly told the story that H.S. drove a ramshackle Ford station wagon 4 yrs. ago and that it was incapable of making the trip to N.B.; moreover it had no speedometer. (Trib 9/26/26)

Ralph & Cornelius Helmuth, when questioned by Dets., testified also they never saw H.S. drive his wife's car, which was a Chandler. (M.W. 9/26/26)

Mrs. Marie Garibaldi made an affidavit for state intimating that H.S. used their telephone on 9/14/22. She could not be absolutely certain as to date. (Trib 9/28/26)

Mrs. H. Gauns, Prop of boarding house in Lavalette, said that in December 1922 two men remained at her house for 10 days, who seemed to be greatly interested in Henry S. One of them told her husband that he was a Det. (Her Trib 9/5/26) - 7:2

Und says John J. Monigan, N.B. Druggist, placed Henry S. in that city Sept. 14, 1922, the date of the couple's slaying and the day which S. insisted he spent fishing 60 miles away. (Jer Jour 9/23/26-12:1)

Miss Jane Corbert, clerk in Monigan's drug store, BxH.N.B., told Und of a conversation a few days after the murders among herself, Monigan and several other persons. During the chat she said a man mentioned seeing S. in N.B. Sept. 14th. Could not recall who that person was or the others who took part in the conversation. (Jer Jour 9/23/26) 12:1

See Simpson card for letter he rec'd 9/18/26 from a man who claims to have witnessed actual slaying of Rector & Mrs. M. 4 yrs. ago; letter postmarked a town in Atlantic Co., N.J. and signed

"Smythe". (Eve Jour 9/20/26)

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